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Sir:

This submission accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE). The RCE is filed with a Petition for a Three-Month Extension of Time with regard to the Final Office Action dated April 27, 2007 and the Advisory Action dated September 12, 2007. Kindly amend the application as indicated below.

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